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Man Sentenced for Lewd Act, Child Porn

A 22-year-old man was sentenced today to three years and eight months in state prison for luring a young boy into performing sexually explicit acts online in exchange for video gaming cards, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Angela Brunson of the Cyber Crime Division said Cushqader Warren pleaded no contest on July 19 to two felonies: one count of lewd act upon a child and one count of possession of child pornography in case BA457230.

Warren played an online game and would offer cards to those who commented on videos he posted, the prosecutor said. The cards would give users the ability to play a higher game level.

In June 2016, Warren engaged in online video chats with a 12-year-old boy and told him to perform sexual acts upon himself in order to receive the gaming cards. Warren recorded the acts which were later found on his computer along with several additional videos which contained child pornography, according to the prosecutor.

Warren was arrested in May 2017 as part of "Operation Broken Heart," which was conducted by the Los Angeles Regional Internet Crimes against Children Task Force. More than 180 suspected child predators were arrested.

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